

**United States Environmental Protection Agency
Region VI
POLLUTION REPORT**

Date: Wednesday, December 23, 2009

From: Chris Ruhl, OSC

Subject: Final
(E09617) United Production
Valentine, LA
Latitude: 29.6000000
Longitude: -90.4403000

POLREP No.:	3	Site #:	V6JX
Reporting Period:	12/10-23/2009	D.O. #:	
Start Date:	9/27/2009	Response Authority:	OPA
Mob Date:		Response Type:	Emergency
Demob Date:	12/23/2009	NPL Status:	Non NPL
Completion Date:		Incident Category:	Removal Assessment
CERCLIS ID #:		Contract #	
RCRIS ID #:		Reimbursable Account #	
FPN#	E09617		

Site Description

United Production is a tank battery comprised of ten above ground storage tanks (ASTs). The site is located near Valentine, Lafourche Parish, La (N29° 36' 00", W90° 26' 25") within the Valentine Oil and Gas Field (Field ID: 9096). The site was referred to EPA by La Department of Natural Resources (LaDNR). The LaDNR indicated that the facility is abandoned. The tanks currently contain approximately 1000 barrels of oil and oily waste. Tanks are in poor conditions and have leaked in to the containment. The tank battery is located in a low area and is subject to flooding.

Current Activities

EPA initiated a cleanup at the United Production facility on December 10th, 2009. The cleanup crew removed 1260 barrels of oil and oil contaminated water from the tanks. Oil and oil contaminated water was transported by A3M Vacuum Services and disposed of at the US Liquid facility located in Borg, LA.

The tops of the tanks were removed to enable crews to decontaminate the tanks. Once decontaminated, the tanks were prepared for scrap. All scrap was screened for radiation prior to being sent for recycling. Radiation levels were found to be acceptable for recycling. The scrap was put into metal scrap boxes and transported off site for metal recycling.

Once the tanks and associated production equipment had been removed, oil saturated soils were removed and disposed of. The containment area was then returned to grade using approximately 80 yards of soil. The area was fertilized and seeded. Two loads of gravel were brought in to repair access roads. EPA completed the cleanup of the facility on 12/22/2009.

Planned Removal Actions

No additional action is anticipated.

Next Steps

None

Key Issues

RPs was issued a Notice of Federal Interest and a Notice of Federal Assumption. The RPs although given opportunity did not provide any response to the incident.

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